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The Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

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The Honorable Kenneth L. Adelman  
Director, Arms Control & Disarmament Agency  
Department of State  
Washington, D.C. 20451

Dear Ken:

Thank you for your note of several weeks ago about writing to Mr. Carlucci on the subject of verification assessments.

Our response, as you know, was delayed in part while Mike Guhin and [ ] worked out a revision to the memorandum for Mr. Carlucci.

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I have signed our enclosed verification assessment correspondence, and [ ] will ensure that it and this note are delivered to you.

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Actually getting these verification assessments done will not be easy, but it is clear we have to get on with this work.

Sincerely,



Robert M. Gates  
Acting Director

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KENNETH L. ADELMAN

DIRECTOR

U.S. ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY

Kenneth L. Adelman is Director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. Nominated by President Reagan in January 1983 and sworn into office on April 14, 1983, Ambassador Adelman is by law principal advisor to the President on arms control matters and is responsible for preparing and backstopping the American position in arms control talks.

Before assuming his current position, he was Deputy U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. He served in this position as deputy to U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations Jeane Kirkpatrick from 1981 to 1983. In this capacity, he headed the U.S. delegation to the Second Special Session on Disarmament.

From 1976 to 1977, he was Assistant to the Secretary of Defense. He has also served with the Agency for International Development (1975-1976), the Office of Economic Opportunity (1970-1972) and the Department of Commerce (1968-1972).

From 1977 to 1981, Mr. Adelman was a member of the Strategic Studies Center at SRI International (Stanford Research Institute). He also taught courses on Shakespeare at Georgetown University and on African studies at Catholic University of America. His articles and reviews have appeared in Foreign Affairs, Harper's, The New Republic, The New York Times, The Washington Post, and The Wall Street Journal.

From 1972 to 1975, he lived in Kinshasa, Zaire, where he conducted research. He also served as translator for the Ali-Foreman championship heavy-weight fight and participated in the three-month river expedition on the 100th anniversary of Stanley's trip down the Congo River. He is an ardent collector of and expert on African art.

Ambassador Adelman received his Ph.D in political theory from Georgetown University in 1975. He also holds a Masters of Science degree in foreign service from Georgetown (1969) and a Bachelor of Arts in philosophy and religion from Grinnell College (1967).

He was born on June 9, 1946 in Chicago, Illinois and is married to the former Carol Craigle. They reside in Arlington, Virginia, with their two daughters, Jessica (11) and Jocelyn (9).

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Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA)

ACDA is an independent policy agency housed within the Department of State. The agency, which has about 250 employees, recently celebrated its 25th anniversary. Ken Adelman is the eighth Director of the agency. Previous Directors include: Fred Ikle, Paul Warnke, and Eugene Rostow. Verification of all arms control agreements is a particular focus for ACDA under Adelman.

The ACDA Charter

Arms control is no longer an intermittent enterprise as it once was. It has become a central and continuing concern of governments and an integral aspect of foreign policy and national security. Thus, the United States--the first government to do so--established by statute a separate agency in 1961 to deal with disarmament issues.

In establishing ACDA as an independent agency of the Executive Branch, the Congress specifically charged it with four primary functions:

- (1) The conduct, support and coordination of research for arms control and disarmament policy formulation;
- (2) The preparation for, and management of, US participation in international negotiations in the arms control and disarmament field;
- (3) The dissemination and coordination of public information concerning arms control and disarmament; and,
- (4) The preparation for, operation of, or--as appropriate--direction of US participation in such control systems as may become part of US arms control and disarmament activities.

Subsequent changes in ACDA's Charter have broadened the role to include participation in US Government decisions on arms transfers and on the export of nuclear materials and related technology.

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## GLOSSARY

ACDA	Arms Control and Disarmament Agency
ACVC	Arms Control Verification Committee
CD	Conference on Disarmament (Geneva)
CW	Chemical Warfare
D&S	Defense and Space Talks
FIS	Foreign Instrumentation Signals
IC	Intelligence Community
IG	Interdepartmental Group
INF	Intermediate Nuclear Forces
NIO/SP	National Intelligence Officer for Strategic Programs
NST	Nuclear and Space Talks (Geneva) (Includes: INF, START and D/S)
ONIR	Overhead Non-Imaging Infrared
RV	Reentry Vehicle
SACG	Senior Arms Control Group
SALT	Strategic Arms Limitations Agreements
SCI	Special Compartmented Information
START	Strategic Arms Reduction Talks
TTBT	Threshold Test Ban Treaty